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TITLE: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR MEDIA LEVEL MEASUREMENT

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Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants received a Notice of Allowance dated July 19, 2005 on the above-identified patent application. In the Notice, the Examiner allowed claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, and 43-48. The Examiner also indicated reasons for allowance. Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusions regarding the patentability of the allowed claims, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, applicants believes that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to teach or suggest the invention as defined by the combination of elements as recited in any of the respective claims.

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